

Natural Environment Referral Response - Biodiversity

Application Number:	DA2019/0650
Responsible Officer	Kent Bull
Land to be developed (Address):	Lot 75 DP 12838 , 204 Lower Plateau Road BILGOLA PLATEAU NSW 2107

Reasons for referral

This application seeks consent development on land, or within 40m of land, containing:

- All Development Applications on
- Actual or potential threatened species, populations, ecological communities, or their habitats;
- Wildlife corridors;
- Vegetation query stipulating that a Flora and Fauna Assessment is required;
- Vegetation query - X type located in both A & C Wards;

And as such, Council's Natural Environment Unit officers are required to consider the likely potential environmental impacts.

Officer comments

This application has been assessed against Pittwater LEP Clause 7.6 Biodiversity and Pittwater DCP B4.6 Wildlife corridors.

The proposal is for the alterations and additions of the existing dwelling. Similar proposed changes have been approved by previous applications.

The submitted Arborist Report (Koala Arbor, 06/03/2019) assesses the impacts to one large *Angophora costata* to be retained and protected which is immediately adjacent to the works. No native trees or vegetation are proposed for removal.

Council's Natural Environment - Biodiversity section supports the application subject to conditions. Tree protection conditions have been applied by Council's Landscape section.

Referral Body Recommendation

Recommended for approval, subject to conditions

Recommended Natural Environment Conditions:

ON-GOING CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH AT ALL TIMES

Control of Weeds

Prior to the completion of works, all priority weeds (as listed under the Biosecurity Act 2015) are to be removed/controlled within the subject site using an appropriately registered control method. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>). All environmental weeds are to be removed and controlled. Refer to

Council website http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/environment/noxious_weeds

Reason: Weed management.

No Planting Environmental Weeds

No environmental weeds are to be planted on the site. Information on weeds of the Northern Beaches can be found at the NSW WeedWise website (<http://weeds.dpi.nsw.gov.au/>).

Reason: Weed management.

Works to cease if item found

If any Aboriginal Engravings or Relics are unearthed all work is to cease immediately and the Aboriginal Heritage Office (AHO) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) are to be notified.

Reason: To protect Aboriginal Heritage.

Dead or Injured Wildlife

If construction activity associated with this development results in injury or death of a native mammal, bird, reptile or amphibian, a registered wildlife rescue and rehabilitation organisation must be contacted for advice.

Reason: To mitigate potential impacts to native wildlife resulting from construction activity.

Domestic Animals Exclusion

For the life of the development, cats are to be kept in a cat run and/or inside the dwelling such that they are prevented from entering wildlife habitat areas at all times. Dogs are to be kept in an enclosed area such that they cannot enter areas of bushland, unrestrained, on surrounding properties.

Reason: Wildlife protection